



STEM Careers

Entomologist

Job Description: Study the origins, behavior, diseases, genetics, and life processes of insects.

What does an Entomologist do?

- Study insects in their natural habitats, assessing effects of environment and industry on insects, interpreting findings and recommending alternative operating conditions for industry.
- Analyze characteristics of insects to identify and classify them.
- Inventory or estimate insect populations.
- Study characteristics of insects such as relationships, classification, life histories, development and genetics.
- Study and examine insects left behind at a crime scene to help forensic investigators gather more information about the time a particular incident occurred.

Your Interests:

- Do you have a love of nature and being outdoors?
- Are you good at observing and then reporting what you see?
- Can you clearly communicate your ideas to others?

Outlook: **Green**

Average Salary - \$27.61 hourly, \$56,430 annual

Projected Job Openings - 1,500 over the next 10 years.

Education/Program of Study:

- Bachelor's Degree in Entomology or a natural sciences field such as Zoology or Ecology is the minimum requirement for an entry level position.
- Master's Degree can be an advantage for high competition jobs.
- PhD for most university based positions.